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Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

In the Specification

Please delete page 8 lines 5-25.

Please insert the following replacement paragraphs at page 8, line 5:

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-- Cell cycle proteins of the present invention may be shorter or longer than the amino acid sequence encoded by the nucleic acid shown in the Figure 1 (SEQ ID NO:1). Thus, in a preferred embodiment, included within the definition of cell cycle proteins are portions or fragments of the amino acid sequence encoded by the nucleic acid sequence provided herein. In one embodiment herein, fragments of cell cycle proteins are considered cell cycle proteins if a) they share at least one antigenic epitope; b) have at least the indicated sequence identity; c) and preferably have cell cycle biological activity as further defined herein. In some cases, where the sequence is used diagnostically, that is, when the presence or absence of cell cycle protein nucleic acid is determined, only the indicated sequence identity is required. The nucleic acids of the present invention may also be shorter or longer than the sequence in Figure 1 (SEQ ID NO:1). The nucleic acid fragments include any portion of the nucleic acids provided herein which have a sequence not exactly previously identified; fragments having sequences with the indicated sequence identity to that portion not previously identified are provided in an embodiment herein.